



By the KING,

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PROCLAMATION.

JAMES R.

WHEREAS We, by the Advice of Our Council, for certain weighty and urgent Occasions concerning Us and this State, and the Defence of this Our Realm of *Ireland*, and the Church of the same, have Ordained that a Parliament should be held at the City of *Dublin* in this Our Kingdom, on the seventh day of *May* next, in this present fifth year of Our Reign, and there to have Conference with the Prelates, Peers, and other Great Men of Our said Kingdom concerning the same. These are therefore by the Advice of our Council to publish and make known Our pleasure therein, willing and requiring all Prelates, Dukes, Earls, and other Peers of this Realm; and also all Knights, Citizens and Burgeses that shall be chosen for that Service, that they and every of them do make their personal Appearances at the day and place aforesaid, as they and every of them will answer the contrary at their Peril. *Given at Our Court at Dublin Castle the 25th. day of March 1689. And in the Fifth Year of Our Reign.*

GOD Save the KING.

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WHEREAS We are informed, that upon the noise of a sudden Invasion intended by the Prince of *Orange* to be made into this Our Kingdom of *Ireland*, several of Our Subjects here being not of Our Army, have Armed themselves with Half-Pikes and Skeans, and as We cannot but excuse

such of them as made no other use of these Weapons, than to have them ready to defend themselves against their Common Enemy ; so We cannot without great Dislike, Reflect upon the Proceedings of others of them, who Rob and Spoyl their Neighbours, and Seized upon great numbers of Cattel and other Goods, upon pretence that the Owners thereof were in actual Rebellion against Us : Which if true, the same could be no ground for such irregular Actions. For Rectifying of which Abuses, and Preventing the like for the future, We have by the Advice of Our Privy Council thought fit, and do hereby strictly Charge and Command all such of Our Subjects of this Realm, as do know, or shall know of any Sheep, Cows, Horses, or other Goods to be so taken and conveyed away, that they forthwith discover the same to the next Justices of the Peace, who are hereby Required to Restore the same to the Owners and Proprietors thereof. And in case the said Owners or Proprietors are not to be found, or that they be such who are, or have been in Actual Rebellion against Us, that the said Justices of the Peace do cause the said Sheep, Cows, Horses, and other Goods, to be delivered to the Sheriff of the County where such Goods shall be found, who is to give Us an Account thereof, and preserve the same until he shall receive Our further Directions therein. And We do further strictly Charge and Command all such of Our People, being not of Our Army, to lay up their Half-Pikes and Skeans in their respective Houses, and that they do not for the future, presume to carry the said Weapons into Fairs, Markets, or other publick places, upon pain of incurring Our Displeasure, and to be proceeded against according to Law. And We do by the Advice aforesaid, strictly Charge and Command all Generals, or Governors of Counties, Judges, Justices of the Peace, Magistrates, Sheriffs, and all other Our Officers and Ministers, to take all Lawful ways and means for the apprehending of all such Robbers, Thieves and Plunderers, as well those already guilty, as those who shall commit any of the said Crimes for the future, in order to bring them to condign punishment. We being fully Resolved that such Offenders shall be prosecuted according to the utmost rigour of the Law. And We do hereby strictly Charge and Command all the Officers and Souldiers of our Army to be aiding and assisting to the Civil Magistrates for the apprehending and securing of such Malefactors.

*Given at our Court at Dublin-Castle, the 25th. day of March 1689.
And in the Fifth Year of Our Reign.*

GOD SAVE THE KING.

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